investment, energy and environment, health, science and technology, counter terrorism and UN Peace-keeping. Established mechanisms such as Foreign Office Consultations and Joint Working Groups have helped to keep up the momentum.

(c) Capital investment from the US to India since March 2000 has been approximately US$ 480 million.

Indian territory under Chinese Occupation

2021. SHRI SURESH PACHOURI: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the area and location of the Indian territory under Chinese occupation;

(b) whether it is a fact that in the recently concluded high level Indo-China official meeting, maps were exchanged; and

(c) if so, the area under Chinese occupation claimed by India and Chinese reaction thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI OMAR ABDULLAH): (a) China continues to be in illegal occupation of approximately 38,000 sq kms in the Indian State of Jaramu & Kashmir. In addition, under the so-called Sino-Pakistan Boundary Agreement of 1963, Pakistan illegally ceded 5,180 sq kms of Indian territory in Pakistan Occupied Kashmir to China.

(b) and (c) The 9th Meeting of the India-China Expert Group of Diplomats and Military Officials was held in New Delhi on June 28, 2001. The two sides exchanged views on the maps depicting the Line of Actual Control (LAC) as perceived by the two sides respectively in the Middle Sector of the India-China boundary. The maps of the LAC in the Middle Sector were exchanged in Beijing in November 2000 at the 8th Meeting of the Expert Group. Both sides re-affirmed their intention to proceed with the process of confirmation and clarification of the LAC on the basis of the 1993 agreement on the Maintenance of Peace and Traquility along the LAC in the India-China border areas.